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CURRENT TOPICS.

CRITICISM OF THE MEXICAN...
A NEW YORKER offers five cents a pound for old magazines.

A LUTHERAN proselytizer has been expelled from Russia.

A CUMBER four feet long is on exhibit at Waterloo, Iowa.

The latest Chautauque discovery is fresh water sponges in the lakes.

Iowa is larger than Ireland by about eight hundred square miles.

ENGLAND, according to latest reports, has 750,000 more women than men.

ASTROLOGISTS are about to pick out a wife for the Emperor of China.

A PHILADELPHIA beauty lately dined at Saratoga with \$300,000 in gems.

ABOUT 100 persons climb to the top of Washington Monument every day.

A SUFFLOWER forty-five inches in circumference is blooming near Traver, Cal.

THERE are just 305 colleges in the United States, one for every day in the year.

WHEN the period of deep mourning is over English women wear gray gloves.

Two clocks and five little ticks is the description of a Chicago family of seven.

The starfish in Long Island Sound have eaten over 30,000 bushels of oysters in one bed.

ALL the cannon foundries of Europe are overrun with orders and working day and night.

A CHINAMAN in Chico, Cal., has a big black bear which he saddles and rides like a horse.

MINKIE WILSON, a pretty maid of sixteen drives the stage between Milnor and Hamline in Dakota.

ABRAHAM LINCOLN's funeral car is now a section hands' boarding car on the Central Pacific Railroad.

A TAME BEAR at Ithaca, Mich., fatally bit and clawed a little five-year-old daughter of W. H. Beasley.

ABOUT 25,000 cattle will be driven into the Canadian northwest from the United States this season.

DURING a wind storm at Rock Island a valuable horse was choked to death by a heavy cloud of dust.

Gold bricks are to be used as the foundation of a throne to be built at San-hai for the Chinese Emperor.

HUMOR does not pay in the Northwest. Humorist Fred Carruth has found it necessary to sell the Estlinette Belt.

A ST. LOUIS mousethatcher is worth \$200. That is the amount set for by a man who lost his through a practical joke.

A MRS. WHITMORE, of Bar Harbor, a dress-maker, is said to be heir to an estate valued at \$200,000,000 in England.

SEVENTY of the original thirteen of the Emory family of Bucksport, Me., are living, and their combined ages are 507 years.

ONE of General Phil Sheridan's old scouts has just sent him from Utah a gift of a particularly lively wildcat in fighting order.

A BROOKLYN man worth \$15,000,000 has just died from the effects of an affliction similar to that visited upon the historical Job.

CUTTING has his good points. He says he does not intend to be so ungrateful to the American people as to go on a lecturing tour.

The meeting of the scientists at Buffalo has decided that men who think live thirty-three years longer than those who do not think.

The Smiths had a reunion at Peapack, at the headquarters of the Raritan river, the other day, and there was \$3,000 of them reported.

Mrs. G. B. FARMER, of Morrisburg, Can., has a covered trunk 212 years old. It was made in the year 1674, in the reign of Charles II.

The Duke of Newcastle intends to make a two years' tour around the world. He will leave England late in September for the United States.

The late Mrs. Ann S. Stephens, the famous novelist, was the first woman to send a telegraphic dispatch over the ocean via the Atlantic cable.

BUFFALO is to have the largest clock in the world. The dial will be twenty-five feet in diameter, and the center of the dial will be 261 feet above the street.

A MAILBAG lost in Lake Pepin, Minnesota, four years ago has been recovered at Maiden Rock. Several letters and money orders were recovered and delivered.

The consumption of lead pencils in this country is estimated at \$20,000 a day. This is at the rate of one per day to every 100 of population, or about 75,000,000 a year.

ONE Meadow (Pa.) editor refers pleasantly to another as "the spook-eyed stool pigeon that flaps his ears at the gas fumes in the alleged editorial rooms of the Tribune."

A NAUATUCK man saw something green in a can of ice and split the cake open. The thing was a frog, which, after an hour or two in the sunlight, hopped about vigorously.

A CALIFORNIA cow swallowed a stick twenty inches long and nearly an inch thick, and in due course of time it worked its way out of her side without doing her much damage.

JAMES GARNER, an English railway porter, whose wages were not nineteen shillings per week, has just died, leaving \$20,000 as the result of accumulated tips from passengers.

HUNDREDS of acres of ground at Big Flat, Cal., were covered with very small frogs after a heavy shower the other day. The little fellows were not larger than crickets, and just as lively.

New buildings in New York city are going up at a wonderful pace. During the first six months of 1885 1,600 plans were filed for permits to build, and during the same period this year the number was 2,400.

AGNES GLOVER, the eighteen-year-old daughter of the Rev. Elijah V. Glover, of Hockanville, Pa., was paralyzed while kneeling by her bedside in prayer. She was found there unconscious, and died not long after.

MR. GEORGE CANNY has in his greenhouse at Auburn a century plant that is thirty feet high and the stem is six inches thick at the base. It has thirty-two flowering branches, with over 2,500 buds and bright yellow flowers.

LAWRENCE DONOVAN, a printer, jumped from the Brooklyn bridge for a vagabond of the other morning. A boat was in the river containing some friends who picked him up.

BENJAMIN BROWN, of Pleasantville, N. J., sprinkled Paris green on his grape vines. The wind blew some of it into the face of Miss Allie Bower, his twenty-year-old daughter. She inhaled it unconsciously, and died in a few days.

A QUANTITY of \$10,000 has been granted from the Bavarian Civil List to the widow of Prof. Guggen, of Munich, the "notorious mad doctor," who perished with the late King of Bavaria in the lake at Castle Berg. He left a family of eleven children.

DARK WAR CLOUDS

Again Gathering Over the Nations of Europe.

Russia Looms up as the Arbitrator of all the European Continent.

LONDON, Sept. 6.—Sir J. Ferguson, Under Foreign Secretary, stated in the House of Commons this afternoon that a change in the Government of Bulgaria can only occur in accordance with the treaty of Berlin, and with the consent of the signatory Powers to that treaty.

England, he said, had no separate interests in reference to Bulgaria. The election of a new Prince of Bulgaria must be unanimous. (Cheers.)

The Government, said the speaker, had hoped much from the ability and great qualities of Prince Alexander, and they deplored the treachery and violence which had interrupted his reign. His final decision to abdicate in Bulgaria was greatly regretted. Prince Alexander will to-morrow proclaim his abdication.

His Majesty's Government are distributing for signature petitions to the Czar favoring the election of the Prince of Oldenburg as successor to Prince Alexander.

It is attributed partly to loss of vigor of mind consequent upon the severe trials which he has undergone lately. It is believed that his departure from Bulgaria is likely to result in civil war.

Before Prince Alexander's decision to abdicate, the throne he received a telegram from Prince Bismarck recommending that he abdicate in order to save Bulgaria.

The Morning Post says that it is doubtful whether Prince Bismarck's policy will insure the peace of Europe. Europe will have no peace until the wrongs Russia has inflicted on arising people are avenged.

Whatever may be the reasons which induced Prince Alexander to abdicate, the Czar, we cannot believe that Europe will approve of his leaving to make the Czar the arbiter of the whole continent. The Chronicle blames Prince Bismarck for creating the present critical situation, and says that in the Balkans are darker and more lurid than ever.

A Celestial Wanderer.

New York, Sept. 6.—Last evening a brilliant meteor was observable in New York and Brooklyn. It first appeared in the southern sky, where it looked like a planet.

This star-like body was brighter than Venus, and it was seen by thousands of people. It increased apparently in size and brilliancy. After an interval of perhaps half a minute from the time it was first observed a motion was noticeable. Slowly but steadily it passed from south to north across the sky.

Some of the meteorologists have a spasmodic and rapid motion and disappear suddenly. This meteor retained its brilliancy until it had reached the northeast, where it seemed gradually to dissolve into space. A slight trail of fire followed in its wake.

President's Reply to Queen Victoria.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 6.—The President has sent the following reply to Queen Victoria's telegram of sympathy for the earthquake sufferers:

EXECUTIVE MANSION, WASHINGTON, Sept. 6, 1886.

To Victoria, Queen and Empress, Baltimore, England.

Your Majesty's expression of sympathy for the sufferers by the earthquake in Russia has been received, and awakes grateful response in American hearts.

GROVER CLEVELAND, President.

A Strange Death.

NEW YORK, Sept. 6.—Emma Hubbard, of Amityville, L. I., started to lead her father to the barn on the farm, a short distance west of Amityville. After a long time her absence created alarm, and, upon searching for her, her father found her lifeless body lying in the brook.

Her head was broken, and blood stains were on her body and clothing. The horse fastened his teeth in her throat.

Explosion of a Natural Gas Well.

KEOKUK, Ia., Sept. 6.—By an explosion of a natural gas well in a sixty-foot well, being dug five miles from Keokuk, Mo., today, Henry Miller was killed, John Hape probably killed, and Homer McMahon and Charles Perkins fatally injured.

Miller was trapped by the gas, and his entire body peeling off in a few minutes after the explosion, which was caused by taking a lighted lamp into the well.

Tracking David.

CHICAGO, Sept. 6.—A Daily News special from Ishpeming, Mich., says: "Michael David, on his trip through Northern Michigan, was followed by a short-horned reporter in the pay of the British Government. All of his speeches and some of his private conversations were taken down in full by this indefatigable agent of the English authorities."

Brilliant Display of Meteors.

COLUMBUS, S. C., Sept. 6.—Another distinct shower of meteors was seen in this city last night at 11:07 o'clock, accompanied by the usual shooting stars. At intervals of five minutes thereafter two remarkably brilliant and unusually large meteors shot across the skies, from south to north.

The Lantern Exploded.

WARSAW, Ill., Sept. 6.—Henry Miller, fifteen, was killed to-day near here while descending into a well with a lantern in his hand, which exploded, the young man falling to the bottom. John Hays, standing at the mouth of the well, was seriously burned.

Get a Good Grip on Him.

WILCOX, A. T., Sept. 6.—General Miles arrived at Fort Bowie last night with General Natchez and several backs as prisoners. Captain Lawton, with the cavalry, the hostiles, numbering thirty-five, are expected at Fort Bowie Wednesday.

Get Ready for Them.

CORVALLIS, Ore., Sept. 6.—Prof. E. P. Hammond foretells terrific cyclones, earthquakes and tornadoes for September 20, 27 and 28. Cyclonic disturbances may be expected September 14 and 15.

Aid for Charleston.

CHARLESTON, S. C., Sept. 6.—Nearly \$100,000 has reached Charleston to aid the sufferers from the earthquake. The contributions will finally aggregate half a million.

Labor Ticket Nominated.

HARTFORD, Conn., Sept. 6.—The Labor Conference here to-day nominated a full State ticket, headed by H. C. Baker for Governor.

"I called on Miss Snobson, last night," said young Slims, lispingly, "and when I went in she frowned and said, 'You have again!'"

Then she yawned all the evening, and looked at the clock, and when I went away she didn't shake hands or kiss me to come again. Now, if she does that many more times I'll stop going there."

Life.

Astronomy was first studied by the Moors, and was then introduced into Europe in 1201. The rapid progress of modern astronomy dates from the time of Copernicus. Books of astronomy and geometry were destroyed, as in fact with magic, in England under the reign of Edward VI., in 1552.

The lava-beds about Oroville, Cal., are now being utilized for agricultural purposes. A local paper says they are rapidly being turned into little orchards, vineyards and gardens, and comfortable homes are becoming numerous.

Prof. Barnard, of Columbia College, brings forward facts and figures to show that Florida was discovered in 1512, instead of 1513, as Mr. Baneroff puts it in the latest edition of his history.

IOWA'S CURIOSITY.

The Great Well Still Flowing, and Efforts to Plug It Prove Unavailing.

BELLE PLAIN, Ia., Sept. 5.—The great well still flows. For a short time last evening it was partially shut off. The great cone, having been enlarged to thirty-six inches, was lowered full of sand. It went easily for sixty feet, when it became necessary to drive it, and the 1,000-pound hammer was applied to the five-inch pipe connected with the cone. This pipe stood thirty feet above the surface. After a few strokes had been given, the flow of water was much diminished, but the people began to shake hands and many bags of sand were thrown in to give additional weight to the cone to fill up the aperture. The big hammer was again applied and after a few strokes the pipe shot down into the water like a rocket down a shaft. A swift gust of water, a gurgling and the hopes of all were buried out of sight with the cone and its connecting pipe. The six-inch pipe heretofore mentioned is at the bottom, and the water is that the cone has gone down into it. It struck. That would leave it 120 feet from the bottom and the upper end forty feet from the surface.

RUSSIA TRIUMPHS.

Prince Alexander Voluntarily Abdicates the Bulgarian Throne.

SOFIA, Sept. 5.—Prince Alexander has publicly announced his intention of abdicating. He says he can not remain in Bulgaria on account of the objections of the Czar. He has, however, been offered a regency. He made the following address to a reception given by him to the officers of the army: "For seven years I have labored for the independence and interests of Bulgaria. My constant special solicitude has been for my army and officers. I consider them my family, my children, and I have felt secure in my personal position when I have seen myself surrounded by my faithful soldiers, my comrades in our struggles for the glory of Bulgaria. I can not remain in Bulgaria on account of the objections of the Czar. My presence is inimical to the interests of the country. I am forced to quit the throne."

MURDER AS A BUSINESS.

A Female Friend Who Confesses to Committing Infanticide for Money.

MILWAUKEE, Wis., Sept. 5.—The finding of a dead infant with a darning-needle thrust through its heart has led to the disclosure that a regular business of putting babies to death at so much per head has been carried on in this city. The mother, a woman named Mrs. Pauline Miltstead, proprietress of a private infirmary, had a few weeks ago upon ascertaining that the authorities had accumulated a criminal record, she traveled under an assumed name in Michigan, but was overhauled at Reed City and brought back to Milwaukee. She confessed the murder of the child, and claims to have been promised \$300 by its mother for putting it out of the world. She confessed to investigating the deaths of numerous other infants born out of wedlock, supposed to have been put to death by her.

A Sunday in Belfast.

BELFAST, Sept. 5.—A mob attacked and severely beat four policemen at Ballymacaree, a suburb of Belfast, to-day. The police broke away from the crowd and took refuge in a house. The mob followed them, and in their effort to recapture the men, completely wrecked the house. Fortunately for the policemen, the military arrived on the spot and dispersed the mob, and scatter the mob. Two of the leaders of the rioters were arrested. An Orange procession was held, a stone being thrown and the procession severely stoned. The Orangemen broke ranks and retaliated upon the Catholics, seriously injuring several of them. The police, who were in the order and drove the Catholic party away.

A Fight With a Burglar.

PERIN, Ill., Sept. 5.—Yesterday morning, Wm. Mahan, a druggist of this city, was awakened by a slight noise, and found at his bedside a masked burglar, who placed a revolver at his head and demanded money. Mr. Mahan grappled with the burglar, and a struggle followed, in which the burglar was thrown from the window. Carl Muehlman, a son, fired four shots at the robber, one of which took effect, but the burglar managed to cross the river and escape.

More Shocks.

SAVANNAH, Ga., Sept. 5.—At 10:45 o'clock to-night another shock, equal in severity to that of last night, was felt here. Hundreds of people are still camped in the squares. The continuance of shocks is very severe on buildings which are greatly strained.

Church Tower Settles in Wilkesbarre.

WILKESBARRE, Pa., Sept. 5.—Settling of the tower of the Methodist Episcopal Church here was discovered yesterday. This is attributed to the recent earthquake shock, which was felt to a great extent in this locality. The tower is a new one and cost \$80,000. The tower is still settling, and the doors were closed to the congregation to-day and will remain so until an investigation is made.

Took Up a Collection.

BROOKLYN, Sept. 5.—A collection amounting to \$800 was taken up in Dr. Talmage's Church this evening for the Charleston sufferers. Dr. Talmage presided, and Editor Dawson, expressing the sympathy of the congregation and promising further contribution.

Fear a Tidal Wave.

CHARLESTON, S. C., Sept. 5.—The great overhanging dread here is of the tidal wave. The earthquake has done about its worst, and the sea, it is said, will wipe the face of the earth and all her people from the face of the earth.

A Novel Offer.

NEW YORK, Sept. 5.—At a meeting of the Brooklyn G. A. R. to-night it was decided to offer the service of one hundred members to the people of Charleston for police purposes.

Snow in Montana.

ST. PAUL, Minn., Sept. 5.—The first snow storm of the season is reported from Helena, Mont. The fall was quite noticeable, and the thermometer marked only 31 degrees above zero.

Fatally Burned.

CRESTLINE, O., Sept. 5.—Mrs. Marline Bennett's dress caught fire while driving in a buggy near here and was fatally burned.

Yellow Jack.

NEW ORLEANS, Sept. 6.—Up to last accounts fifteen cases of the disease at Biloxi, supposed to be yellow fever, had occurred since the beginning of the epidemic. Quarantine has been established at Meridien, La. No one will be allowed to leave a cabin at that point without a passport from the health officer, and a person is from a place free from yellow fever.

Injured in a Collision.

BALTIMORE, Sept. 5.—An excursion train on the B. & O. road, with 90 passengers aboard, collided with a freight train a few miles from this city this evening. Between twenty and thirty persons were injured more or less, but none seriously.

Serious Charge Against a Farmer.

MILAN, Mich., Sept. 5.—Loren Hayner, a farmer near here, was arrested on a warrant issued by Justice Stewart, of Bolivar, charging him with being implicated in the robbery of an old couple named Elwell, three and a half miles south of Belleville, last Saturday night, of about \$50 in money, besides \$400 in notes and mortgages.

Fell Over a Cliff.

PITTSBURGH, Pa., Sept. 5.—Officer George Woods and Edward Hennigh, a prisoner, with whom he was confining, to a lover's quarrel, and both were badly injured. Woods was formerly a railroad engineer.

SEVEN CREMATED.

A Sickening Calamity in a Pennsylvania Town.

Roasted Alive in Their Beds in the Second Story of a Railroad Shanty.

WILLIAMSPORT, Pa., Sept. 3.—Word has just received here of sickening calamity which occurred about midnight last night, five miles and a half above Jonestown, on the line of the Williamsport and North Branch railroad, where a large number of Hungarian laborers are employed on an extension of the road. A shanty, in which over twenty of these men lodged, caught fire last night from the overturning of a stove while the men were asleep. Sixteen men were killed, and seven were roasted alive in the burning shanty. Their charred remains were afterward found in the ruins.

The shanty was a two-story building, and the men were sleeping on the second floor. The fire broke out in the kitchen, and the men were unable to escape. The shanty was a shanty on the same railroad at Elklick. A short time since, when the shanty was burning, the bodies of the men were found in a quantity of bloody straw. The men who occupied the shanty have disappeared.

THE PRINCE'S PERIL.

An Attempt to Wreck the Train to Sofia—Hotel Troops Surrender at the Bulgarian Capital.

LONDON, Sept. 3.—An attempt was made to wreck the train which was conveying Prince Alexander to Sofia. When near Philippopolis the engineer discovered an explosion, and the train was brought to a standstill. On investigation it was found that five sleepers had been placed across the track, and a bomb was thrown at the train. The train was stopped, and the men who were on it were taken to a safe place. The men who were on the train were taken to a safe place. The men who were on the train were taken to a safe place.

ANOTHER SHOCK.

Is Felt Along the Atlantic Coast From Florida to Washington.

CINCINNATI, Sept. 3.—Another shock of earthquake was felt here yesterday, at eleven o'clock to-night. The shock was felt from Jacksonville, Fla., to Washington. The commotion was most severe at Charleston, S. C. Two buildings fell. A woman was killed, and many people were injured. The shock was felt from Jacksonville, Fla., to Washington.

Mysterious Eruption in Illinois.

OAKLAND, Ill., Sept. 3.—Yesterday, the citizens of Bowdrie Township, north of this city, were startled by a noise like the explosion of a boiler, and a strong tremor followed. It was found to have been caused by an eruption on the farm of Christian Danabach. That gentleman stated that when the noise occurred a cloud of smoke and dust was thrown sixty feet in the air, in which were stumps of trees, stones and other debris. The noise was heard by the earth, which has not yet been explored.

The Week's Failures.

NEW YORK, Sept. 3.—The business failures occurring throughout the country during the last seven days, number for the United States 106, and for Canada 24, or a total of 130, as compared with 301 last week, and 200 the week before last. The Western and Pacific States furnishing nearly half the casualties reported in this country.

Secretary Bayard Has a New Case.

HELENA, Mont., Sept. 3.—Secretary Bayard has written Governor Hager, asking for a history of the case where a Chinese laundry was burned in Helena, and Chinese killed, and \$3,000 worth of property destroyed. It is said the Chinese authorities want the Government to pay indemnity.

Reminders of the Earthquake.

ACOSTA, Ga., Sept. 3.—A speech from Beaufort says: Near Coosaw, Mines there is a crack in the earth 300 feet long and six inches wide at the top. On St. Helena Island, in the Gulf of Mexico, several large openings were made and piles of mud and sand were forced up.

Killed by Electricity.

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., Sept. 3.—Superintendent W. H. Brockway, of the Brush Electric Company, was instantly killed here last night by an electric shock received while he was engaged in repairing the electric lights at the Nicollet House.

A Horrible Death in the Machinery.

PITTSBURGH, Sept. 3.—John Wells was instantly killed in the Foundry and Machine Company Works to-day. He was caught in the belt and his body was terribly mangled, nearly every bone being broken.

Business Good at the Mint.

PHILADELPHIA, Sept. 3.—The mint is now working at full speed. The employees are working from 9 o'clock a. m. to midnight every week day.

Twelve Houses Burned.

ST. CARROLL, Pa., Sept. 3.—Twelve houses, occupied by twenty-four families, were destroyed by fire. A woman and child are missing.

Bled to Death.

CENTRALIA, Ill., Sept. 3.—In an angry scuffle between two brothers, near here, the main artery in the elder's arm was severed and he bled to death.

Extensive Bequests.

PHILADELPHIA, Sept. 3.—The will of the late Joseph E. Temple, probated to-day, bequeaths over \$200,000 to public institutions.

"Earthquakes."

CHARLESTON, S. C., Sept. 3.—"Earthquakes" is the name suggested for a little girl brought into the world just before the great upheaval here Tuesday night. Mother and child were born in a shock that was felt all blocks away, and severely burned two men named Atwood and Logue, who were standing near the well.

Natural Gas Discovery in Illinois.

CLINTON, Ill., Sept. 3.—While Thos. Gabbe was digging a well in the rear of his home, he struck a vein of natural gas at a depth of only twenty-seven feet. When a spark was applied to the gas it produced a shock that was felt all blocks away, and severely burned two men named Atwood and Logue, who were standing near the well.

Natural Gas Supply Lessened.

PITTSBURGH, Sept. 2.—There was a shortage in the supply of natural gas on the South Side today, and several factories suspended operations. Some people attribute the decrease in the flow to the earthquake, and others to the fact that the gas is being used for other purposes.

Bloody Battle in Roumelia.

BRUSSEL, Sept. 2.—Private telegrams received here this evening from Sofia state that a bloody battle was fought between Prince Alexander and his army and the revolutionists, and that the latter were defeated with heavy loss.

Basket of Dynamite Lets Go.

EAST SAGINAW, Mich., Sept. 2.—Joromo R. Hurd, a farmer living in Genesee County, was killed to-day by the accidental explosion of a basket of dynamite which he was carrying. The basket was falling from his back, and it exploded, and he was killed.

Badly Injured by an Insane Son.

MILWAUKEE, Wis., Sept. 3.—Robert A. Todd, aged seventy-two, a prominent builder of Milwaukee, was assaulted by an insane son named Robert, aged thirty-eight, and so badly injured internally that his recovery is doubtful. The insane man was formerly a railroad engineer.

DEBOLATION.

The Bad Scars That Meet the Eye in Charleston.

CHARLESTON, S. C., Sept. 2.—The number of deaths from the earthquake up to date is sixty-one, and out of the hundreds wounded more will probably die. The wreck of the city is pretty complete, and the damage will be enormous. There are very few houses of brick left in the city uninjured, and hundreds of buildings that appear comparatively unharmed, are so shaken they will have to come down. This makes it difficult to estimate the damage, but it is not putting it too strong to say that Charleston, with all the experiences of bombardment and earthquake, needs to be badly shattered as now. The sight is a sad one. The people, after the terror of their experience, are nervous and expectant; they are camped in the public squares and parks, very few venturing into houses, and none into brick or stone buildings. The shocks still continue, quite a severe one being felt at 6 o'clock this evening, which sent what few people were under cover to the streets, and caused a severe one at a few minutes after, and heavy rumbling sounds preceded and accompanied each shock. Insures have opened in the earth at Summerville and other places. The